

October 3, 1941

Rev. James Bell  
Hayfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Bell:

Our mutual friend, Ed. Knudsen in Alaska, mentioned the fact that you might be interested in serving as a missionary in Alaska. If you are, please let me know and we will try to make some contacts for you.

Cordially yours,

EBK:McE



October 10, 1941.

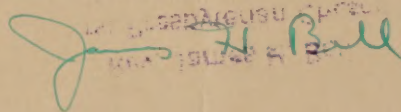
Rev. Everett B. King  
Board of Nat'l. Missions  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York City

Dear Sir:

Ed Knudsen was right when he said I was tremendously interested in Alaska. However, I am not in a position right now to be anything more than interested. I have just come to Hayfield from seminary, and I will be here for several years. It wouldn't be fair to these people to begin looking further afield at this time. Therefore, I am definitely planning to stay here for awhile.

Thank you for writing, and perhaps sometime in the future we can make contact on this question.

Sincerely,



Rev. James H. Bell  
First Presbyterian Church  
Hayfield, Minnesota



October 23, 1941

Rev. Mr. James H. Bell  
First Presbyterian Church  
Hayfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Bell:

Will you please take the time to fill out the enclosed application and return it to my office? From what Ed Knudsen said, I feel sure that we can use you in Alaska when the time comes.

Cordially yours,

EBK:McE  
Enc.



*Alaska Applications*

## CONFIDENTIAL

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The Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.  
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

EVERETT B KING

To ~~JAMES H. BELL~~, D.D., Secretary for Sunday School Missions

Questions concerning the Application of James H. Bell  
for appointment as Sunday School Missionary for ~~the~~ Presbytery  
of Alaska

**NOTE 1.**—Answers to questions 1 to 21 should be written by the applicant.

- 1 Your full name and P. O. address? James Hunt Bell, Hayfield, Minnesota
- 2 Nationality American Age 25 Present employment Minister
- 3 How long have you been a professing Christian? Of what church are you a member?  
Joined church Easter, 1929 Presbyterian
- 4 What educational advantages have you had? Common School, Academic, College, Seminary?  
College and Seminary
- 5 Have you taken any special course of training for Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?  
Seminary, summer conferences, training schools, etc.
- 6 Name institutions in which such courses were taken.  
Princeton Seminary, Yale Divinity School, Faribault Summer School of Christian Education.
- 7 Are you familiar with our Church's program of religious education?  
Yes



8 What experience have you had in young people's work?

President of 2 Societies. Pres. of Ramsey County (St. Paul) Youth Council.  
Advisor to the Young People of Hayfield Church, etc.

9 Have you ever conducted a Vacation Bible School?

Yes, several.

10 In what other forms of Christian service have you engaged, and where?

11 What experience have you had in

(a) evangelistic preaching?

(b) personal evangelism?

None

12 Married or single?

Married

Number and ages of children, if any?

None

13 What part have you taken in Sunday school work?

(a) In your own church.

Teacher

(b) In city, county or state organizations.

President of county youth organization.

Teacher in County training school

14 What credits have you received in the Standard Leadership Training Course?

15 Can you provide yourself with a means of conveyance?

Yes

16 Is it your earnest desire to engage in this work permanently or only for a temporary period?

17 What is the condition of your physical health? Good

(Please state time of last illness, the nature of the disease and the length of time you were incapacitated.)

18 When could you begin work if appointed?

19 In what State or States would you prefer to labor?

20 Do you understand that the work of the Sunday School Missionary requires frequent and extended absences from the family circle, and are you willing to be absent from home for periods of one, two, or three weeks at a time, as may be necessary?

21 Give names and addresses of five persons who may be used as references. (At least three should be Presbyterian ministers.)

Rev. Ed Knudsen

Rev. Edwin Kagin, Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.

Rev. Harold Baldwin, 1040 Plymouth Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

NOTE 2.—Answers to questions 22 to 38 should be written by a person acquainted with the applicant's character and abilities.

22 How long have you been acquainted with the applicant?

23 From your knowledge of the requirements of modern Sunday school work, do you consider the applicant adapted by ability and temperament to this form of service as a field representative of our denomination?

24 Has he done any outstanding work in his church or presbytery

(a) as a soul winner?

(b) in Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?

25 In what ways has the applicant shown energy of character?

26 What are his abilities as a public speaker or leader of public meetings?

27 Does he seem to have an intelligent understanding of our Church's program of religious education?

28 What are his business habits as to system, promptness and devotion to details?

29 Is he strictly honest and accurate in financial matters? Is he accurate and reliable in his statements?

30 Is he tactful, pleasing in manner and of friendly disposition, especially toward strangers?

31 Does he attract children and young people?

32 Has he been successful as a pastor, in business, or other vocation?

33 Does he possess qualities of leadership such as would inspire others to adopt his suggestions?

34 Is there anything unfavorable in his past record?



35 Is he of a practical, persistent and persevering temperament?

36 Is he careful and cleanly in his dress and habits?

37 In your observations of him and his work what characteristics or attainments of the applicant have impressed you most forcibly?

38 What are the brother's defects? That is, what habits or peculiarities have you observed which might weaken his influence and interfere with his success as a Sunday School Missionary? (Please answer this fully.)

**NOTE 3.—The answers to all these questions should be frankly given and will be strictly regarded as confidential and for the use of this Board alone.**

(Signed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of person answering above questions

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member of Presbyterial or Synodical Committee  
on National Missions

*NOTE—Any credentials which the candidate may desire to submit should be enclosed with this application.*



October 31, 1941

Rev. Mr. James H. Bell  
Hayfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Bell:

I have your application for work in Alaska and would appreciate your telling me when you will be available for this work.

Cordially yours,

EBK:McE

ALASKA



*Alaska  
applications*

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
HAYFIELD, MINNESOTA

JAMES H. BELL, MINISTER

November 7, 1941.

Rev. Everett B. King  
Board of National Missions  
Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.  
156 Fifth Ave  
New York City

Dear Sir:

I have previously stated in a letter to you that I would not be available for work in Alaska for several years. I have just begun my ministry in this field and do not feel I can leave for quite a while. You asked me to fill out the application anyway so you could have it on file. I am interested in the work in Alaska, but I could not let my name be considered for at least four or five years.

Thank you for your patience on this matter.

Sincerely,

*James H. Bell*

ALASKA



*Alaska Applicant*

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
HAYFIELD, MINNESOTA

MAY 29 1944

JAMES H. BELL, MINISTER  
PERCY C. JAMES, CLERK OF SESSION  
VAUGHN F. STANTON,  
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 25, 1944.

Rev. J. Earl Jackman  
Board of National Missions  
Room 708  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman,

Thank you very much for your recent letter telling me about the opening at Ketchikan, and I am sorry I have been so long in answering it. I assure you that the decision was one of the hardest I have ever had to make, and the answer now seems to be, "No". I am still deeply interested in Alaska, and knowing Jim Hall, I am interested especially in the work at Ketchikan, but this is the situation.

My work here really is not done. I have not seriously considered moving at all until your letter came. Even then, after the first excitement died away, I could see that there is too much to do here before I want to leave the field. This is my first parish, and there are still many things which I want to try out on these people, who seem to be willing to be guinea pigs, before I move on to something else.

The other factor in our decision, and I am speaking frankly and confidentially, is that my wife ~~is~~ is afraid of what would happen to her mother's health if we should move that far away. My mother-in-law has heart trouble, and inasmuch as their family is very close, and has never been separated, such a move on our part would be a serious emotional shock to her. I trust that you will not repeat this information.

So I am truly very sorry to have to refuse such an opportunity, and there may come a day when we will feel that we can accept such an offer as quickly as it comes our way.

Inasmuch as you said you would be in Chicago only until Saturday, I am sending this on to New York. It might miss you at the Stevens.

Sincerely,

*James H. Bell*  
James H. Bell



*Alaska  
Affirmation*

November 30, 1939

Mr. Everett B. King  
Board of National Missions  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

My wife and I would like very much to serve the Lord in Alaska. It is a challenge to us and we feel that we can stand the hardships of a new and different field. We were both raised on the farm and are used to hard work. There, we learned to "take it on the chin." We also feel that we understand farm people. We are both physically fit, have no chronic complaints, and do not mind extreme weather of any kind.

In addition to my preaching and general church work, I have had three years experience as a counsellor in a private boy's camp in the Adirondacks. We both like to work with young people, and we have always been active in a number of sports.

I trust that this is enough information, if not, please advise me, and I will be glad to write again.

Sincerely yours,

*Owen L. Bovier*

Owen L. Bovier



Everett B. King

A P P L I C A T I O N

(This blank is for the use of seminary students who desire to apply to the Board of National Missions for appointment in a summer project on a National Missions field. When filled in return to Dr. H. S. Randolph, Chairman, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.)

Seminary Western Theological Date November 27, 1935

GENERAL:

Full name Everett B. King Place of birth Washington, D. C.

Home address N. Main St., Ext., Washington, Penn.

Seminary address 731 Allen St., Philadelphia, Penn.

Name of church in which you hold membership First Presbyterian- Washington

Name and address of your pastor Henry C. Roberts, E. Washington St.,

Under what Presbytery are you studying as a candidate for the ministry? Washington

EDUCATION:

Preparatory School Washington High School Year 1931

College Washington & Jefferson Year 1935 Degree A. B.

Theological Seminary Western -- Senior now Year \_\_\_\_\_

Other training \_\_\_\_\_

EXPERIENCE:

What church and field work have you done since entering the seminary? \_\_\_\_\_

Two years - acting as a supply to vacant churches

Have you ever directed or worked in a Vacation Bible School? No

Experience in club work Scoutmaster

Do you play an instrument? Violin-Trombone Lead group singing? Yes

What skills in recreation (indoor and outdoor) Tennis, Football, Baseball,

im. in. Golf, Badminton, Basketball, Ping Pong

Did you serve under the Board last summer or any time previously? No



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Experience in teaching if any \_\_\_\_\_

In business \_\_\_\_\_

RE APPOINTMENT:

What part of the mission field would you prefer to serve this coming summer if it can be arranged?

Town \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Industrial \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

When would you be ready to leave for the field? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you undertake to devote full 12 weeks to the project? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you formed any purpose as to the sort of work in which you would like to engage following your graduation? \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER INFORMATION:

Your age 27 Are you single or married? Have you any physical disability? No If yes, state its nature \_\_\_\_\_

References: (Give names and addresses of two or three references) \_\_\_\_\_

R. Dunlap, Washington, Pa; J. Loughner, Emlenton, Pa.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT: The Board of National Missions, in cooperation with the local field to be served, undertakes to provide board and room on the field and \$10.00 a week salary for a 12 week period; also transportation from the seminary to the field and return to the seminary, based on a zoning arrangement.

SEMINARY RECOMMENDATION:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



Jan.  
17th  
1940

Mr. Owen L. Bovier,  
731 Ridge Avenue,  
N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Bovier:

In my conference with you at Seminary you mentioned a desire to work in Alaska. At present there are no openings. I shall be glad to have you get in touch with me later.

If I can be of any help to you in securing work, I shall be glad for you to write to me.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BH



December 23, 1941

Mr. Jack Calhoun  
Presbyterian Theological Seminary  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Calhoun:

Dr. Herrick B. Young has notified me that you were interested in working in Alaska. The next time that I am in Chicago I shall be very glad to have a conference with you.

Cordially yours,

EBK:McE



NEW SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DELMONT, PA.

CHAS. O. CHURCHILL, MINISTER

October 31, 1941.

*Alaska Application*

Rev. Evertt B. King, D.D.,  
156 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. King:

A few days ago I happened to be looking over the report of General Assembly relative to the statistical reports of the churches.

Quite by chance I turned to the report of the Presbytery of Alaska and there noted the vacancy of the Northern Light Presbyterian Church in Juneau, Alaska.

I am writing to you to inquire whether or not this vacancy has been filled. If not, I believe I would be interested in it.

Sincerely yours,  
*Chas O. Churchill*



Dr. King:

This young man  
wants to go to  
Russia. He is a  
junior and is  
at McCormick.

O.T.G.



November 5, 1941

Rev. Mr. Charles O. Churchill  
Delmont, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Churchill:

The Northern Light Presbyterian Church in Juneau  
has called Rev. Willis R. Booth from Sitka to be the pastor.  
He begins work there November 15th. At present there is no  
vacancy in our work in Alaska.

Cordially yours,

EBK:McE

ALASKA



2330 N. Halsted St.  
Chicago, Ill.  
Feb. 5, 1940

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Board of National Missions  
156 Fifth Avenue  
New York,  
New York

Gentlemen:

I am writing to you to secure more information in regards to student summer service on National Missions Fields.

I received an "Information Form" last week from Dr. Davies of our seminary and am very much interested in the program. But what I would like to know is this: would there be any possibility for me to engage in such work in Alaska?

I am in my Junior year in the Chicago Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and am preparing for the ministry. I hope some day to either preach or engage in mission work in Alaska, and would like to do mission work there during the summer vacation months while I am in the seminary.

I have lived in Minnesota and North Dakota all my life, and have found that I can do much better work in cool or cold weather than I can during warm and hot weather.

Will you kindly let me know if your program covers this field?

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Dick



February 8, 1941

Mr. Robert J. Dick  
2330 N. Halsted Street  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Dick:

I am to be in Chicago Wednesday, February 12th.  
I shall be glad to talk with you then about the  
possibilities for work in Alaska. Please contact  
Mr. James Hall.

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

ALASKA



Jan. 9, 1940

*Alaska*  
Dr. Everett King  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York, New York

Dear Dr. King:

I am a senior at Princeton Theological Seminary and will graduate in May. I took my undergraduate work at the University of Southern California and at the University of California. I also had a year of graduate work at Oxford University.

During the past year I have been thinking seriously about what field of service I shall enter. Of course the logical conclusion to a seminary course is to settle down in the states. However, I want to be awake to the needs of Christ outside of the states and have been thinking about Alaska. God happens to have blessed me with a constitution which can stand hardships and living a rigorous out of door life is not at all distasteful to me. I have been active in athletics in college and have done a great deal of mountaineering.

I was speaking with Mr. F.G. Klerekoper the other day about Alaska, and he suggested that I write to you for more definite information than he could give.

Precisely, I would like to know just how great the need is in Alaska. What posts are at present or will in the immediate future be opened?

I will be much indebted to you if you will favor me with

this information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness,

*Yours very sincerely,  
Robert R. Ferguson.*

405 Alexander Hall  
Seminary  
Princeton, New Jersey



Jan.  
17th  
1940

Mr. Robert R. Ferguson,  
405 Alexander Hall,  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

I have your letter of January 9th in which you state that you are thinking about some work in Alaska. I am glad that your heart is turned in that direction, but at present we cannot promise you any field of service. If, however, you would like for me to place your application on file, I shall be glad to do so.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BN

Dec.  
11th  
1939

Mr. George F. Fisher,  
Andover Newton Theological School,  
Newton Centre, Mass.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

We are not yet decided about the course that will be followed this summer in the work in Alaska. I am herewith enclosing an application blank that I will ask you to fill out and return to Dr. H. S. Randolph, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

By the middle of January we will try to make the appointments. We shall be glad to notify you regarding the appointment at that time.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BN





ANDOVER NEWTON THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

December 4<sup>th</sup> 1939

Dear Sir:

The passing of Dr. Somerndike has made a vacancy in your ranks. By this time someone is attempting to carry on his splendid work in the Alaska Mission Department, however.

Having corresponded with Dr. Somerndike last year, securing a summer appointment to the Alaskan field from him, serving in the field for 13 weeks and now cherishing the memory of the wonderful opportunity for service in Alaska, and how much it needs workers of all kinds for Christian activity there, makes me write this letter to you asking if it would be possible for me to return to the community which I served and loved next summer. Or, if that community is now being served (as was expected when I left Hyaburg) whether it would be possible to work in another of the many needy sections there are in the Panhandle or in the Cordova -

Valdez Section.

Last summer's arrangements were: salary \$10<sup>00</sup> for 12 weeks and \$7<sup>00</sup> for board and room. - paid in advance and from which I took my train fare from Boston to Alaska. I broke even - with much effort at the end of the summer. but the experience in Alaska was worth every sacrifice I must make at school this year.

I've been quite busy speaking for Alaska's natives and have managed to sell articles on order from the Alaskan Indians. I have secured a small appropriation for Alaska Missions from the Eliot Church here in Newton, and am interesting young people's groups for preparing Vacation Bible School Teachers Kits to be used in Alaska Service next summer. - I missed fine opportunities by not being able to secure such in Hyderabad last summer.

I plan to marry in June and could take a fine worker along with me, if another summer or longer would be possible - My wife to be is a teacher and could help no little in any service I might render in Alaska.

My letters to your offices are no doubt on file along with the summer work reports I sent at the season's close.



For additional information as to my fitness for Alaska service and willingness to work and endure, I would refer you to your Chairman of Alaska Missions in Alaska, Rev. Russell F. Pedersen of Wrangell, Rev. Hon. Christiansen of Ketchikan, Rev. Webster of Sitka or Rev. Sam Davis - representing the town of Hydasburg wherein I worked last summer. Mr. Thorne from your home office will probably remember our meeting and could tell you some more.

I would like to return to the fine people in Alaska - this time fully equipped with what I need for the greatest benefit of the people I serve - based upon Experience.

Any discussion or information you can offer will be deeply appreciated.

Hoping to hear from you, I am

Faithfully yours

George F. Fisher  
Andover Newton Theol. School.  
Newton Centre, Mass.

## A P P L I C A T I O N

(This blank is for the use of seminary students who desire to apply to the Board of National Missions for appointment in a summer project on a National Missions field. When filled in return to Dr. H. S. Randolph, Chairman, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.)

Seminary Andover Newton, Newton centre, Mass. Date Jan. 2, 1940

GENERAL:  
Full name George Francis Fisher Place of birth Needham Hgts., Mass.

Home address 19 Channing St. Newton, Mass.

Seminary address Andover N. Newton Theo. School, Newton Centre, Mass.

Name of church in which you hold membership Eliot Congregational

Name and address of your pastor Dr. Ray Eusden, Eliot Church, Newton, Mass.

Under what Presbytery are you studying as a candidate for the ministry? -

### EDUCATION:

Preparatory School Classical High School Year 1933

College American International Year 1937 Degree B.A.

Theological Seminary Andover Newton Year 1940

Other training \_\_\_\_\_

### EXPERIENCE:

What church and field work have you done since entering the seminary? \_\_\_\_\_

All round pastoral duties in Rural field. Pennsylvania - Summer

Young Peoples' Pastor, city; 2 yrs. , Alaska Service summer of '39

Have you ever directed or worked in a Vacation Bible School? yes

Experience in club work yes

Do you play an instrument? piano Lead group singing? yes

What skills in recreation (indoor and outdoor) \_\_\_\_\_

general skills in about all sports and recreational directorship

Did you serve under the Board last summer or any time previously? yes



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Experience in teaching if any none in public schools

In business no

RE APPOINTMENT:

What part of the mission field would you prefer to serve this coming summer if it can be arranged?

Town \_\_\_\_\_ Country ✓ City \_\_\_\_\_ Industrial \_\_\_\_\_

Other Under the Board of National Missions, Alaska

When would you be ready to leave for the field? About June 10 th

Will you undertake to devote full 12 weeks to the project? yes

Have you formed any purpose as to the sort of work in which you would like to engage following your graduation? Have a yen for Rural Mission work either at home or abroad.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Your age 25 Are you single or married? / Want to marry in June and bring by so doing Have you any physical disability? No. If yes, state its nature more help to Alaska; fiance: teacher of arts and crafts and music.

References: (Give names and addresses of two or three references)

Dr. S. Phil. Guiles - andover Newton Theo. School. - Dr. Walter Knight - Newton Centre  
Dr. Russ. F. Pederson, Wrangell, Alaska

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT: The Board of National Missions, in cooperation with the local field to be served, undertakes to provide board and room on the field and \$10.00 a week salary for a 12 week period; also transportation from the seminary to the field and return to the seminary, based on a zoning arrangement.

SEMINARY RECOMMENDATION:

All correspondence relative to my appointment last summer is in your files. Also reports of my summer work done in Alaska have been forwarded by Dr. Pederson to you. I believe the records of work done, and original recommendation for such work of greater value than another recommend. from the school.  
However, please dig up correspondence - between Dr. Guiles and Mr. Somerudike - also for personal note ask Mr. Thorne - whom I met in Alaska last summer.  
Sincerely, George Fisher

*Another recommendation may be had from the School if still desired, however. Please let me know.*

Andover Newton Theological School  
Newton Centre, Mass.

January 27, 1940

Dear Dr. Randolph.

I enclose herewith filled-in application blanks for a summer appointment under the Board of National Missions.

I served under the Board in Alaska last summer and would like so much to return to that magnificent land of splendid people.

This summer I could bring an assistant along - a wife who is willing to help serve the village people in Alaska.

With an eye on permanent settlement in Alaska yet belonging to a Congregational Church - but still unordained - a graduate in June '40 - what would you suggest as to my procedure? I have talked with Dean Wapney here at school, and Mr. Knight, representative of the Presbyterian Church, living in Newton Centre.

Hoping to hear from you  
I am sincerely,

George Fisher



Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

January 18, 1940

COPY FOR DR. KING

Mr. George Fisher  
Andover Newton Theological School  
Newton Centre, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Fisher:

I am writing to you in response to your letter of the 17th to Dr. Randolph. You state your interest in engaging in work in Alaska and you enclose an application. I take it that your interest on graduation this year is to settle permanently in work in Alaska and that, although you belong to the Congregational Church, you would be interested in work under Presbyterian auspices. I am referring your letter and application to Dr. Everett King, Secretary for the work in Alaska under this Board.

With very best wishes to you for successful working out of your future plans, I am

Sincerely yours

Chas. T. Greenway  
Unit of Rural Church Work

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Jan.  
27th  
1940

Mr. George Fisher,  
Andover Newton Theological School,  
Newton Centre, Mass.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I regret to say that because of the lack of funds it will not be possible for us to commission you for summer work in Alaska this year. However, I am keeping your application on file, and should an opening occur in our permanent work in Alaska you may be sure we shall give you due consideration.

Appreciating your interest and the good work you did last summer, I am

Cordially yours,

BH



Hot Springs Montana

January 15th 1940

Board Of National Missions

156 Fifth Avenue, New York N.Y.

Attention, Alaska Contact Man.

Dear Sir:

I noticed in a recent copy of "Monday Morning" that there is a vacancy in the church at Anchorage, Alaska. I would like to know something about how one would apply for such a job. I would like to go to Alaska. Will you please send me this information?

Yours Sincerely

*Frank W. Rugg*  
Box 182  
Hot Springs Mont

Jan.  
23rd  
1940

Rev. Mr. Frank W. Gregg,  
Box 182,  
Hot Springs, Mont.

Dear Mr. Gregg:

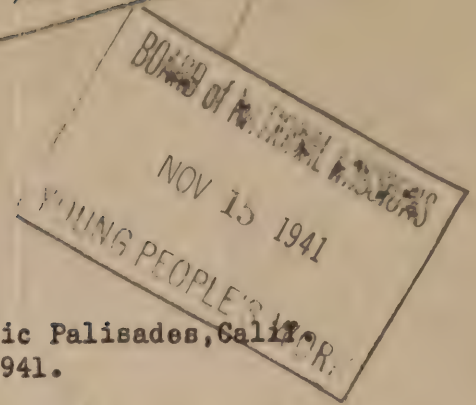
Our church at Anchorage, Alaska,  
has already been filled, and the man is on the  
field.

Thank you for your interest in  
the work.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BH





867 Via de la Paz, Pacific Palisades, Calif.  
November 13, 1941.

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The Rev Fred Thorne, D. D.  
Board of National Missions,  
New York, New York.

Dear Fred,

Recently 12 of us, including myself, were virtually deported from the Japanese Empire because of having sent out Programs for the Women's International Day of Prayer. When, if ever, I shall be able to return to Korea is problematical.

My wife and I are missionaries at heart. Is there any possibility, do you think, of the Board of National Missions sending us to Alaska? We could go without our children, who are 23 and 18 years of age. I am now 50 and Mary is 49. We have had a good health record, though Mary was somewhat nervously exhausted a year ago. Our chief work in Korea has been Bible teaching and evangelism. I have heard that one can work in Alaska through the medium of the English language to a large extent. Perhaps we could get a little of a dialect, too.

Perhaps you do not have any direct part in choosing candidates, but could you ascertain the possibilities for me? At present I will not write to the Board. I believe that the Foreign Board, because of the present situation, would be glad to loan us to the National Board for a term of service, perhaps longer if we found a place of usefulness in Alaska. At any rate I will appreciate your reaction to the matter, and any information which will help to guide us.

It was a joy to see and hear you at General Assembly in Rochester last year. I trust that you and your family are well, and that you are getting great joy in your good work. How gracious the Lord has been to us!

With sincere regards, I remain

Your brother in Christ,

*Harry J. Hill*  
Harry J. Hill

November 29, 1941

Rev. Mr. Harry J. Hill  
867 Via de La Paz  
Pacific Palisades, California

Dear Mr. Hill:

Through our mutual friend, Fred Thorne, I have read your letter of November 13th addressed to him. Enclosed is an application blank that I wish you would fill out for me and send to me with any additional confidential statements that you care to make. There is no opening in Alaska at the present time but there are possibilities. I shall appreciate this information as soon as possible.

Cordially yours,

EBK:McE  
Att.



# CONFIDENTIAL

The Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.  
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

DR. EVERETT B KING

To ~~JAMES SOMERDINE, D.D.~~, Secretary for Sunday School Missions

Questions concerning the Application of HARRY J. HILL  
for appointment as Sunday School Missionary for the Presbytery  
of ALASKA

NOTE 1.—Answers to questions 1 to 21 should be written by the applicant.

1 Your full name and P. O. address?

Harry James Hill  
170 S. Marengo. Pasadena, Calif.

2 Nationality

American

Age

50

Present employment

Missionary to

Chosen. Board of Foreign Missions Presby. Church U. S. A.

3 How long have you been a professing Christian? Of what church are you a member?

34 years. Minister. Los Angeles Presbytery

4 What educational advantages have you had? Common School, Academic, College, Seminary?

High School (1910) B. I. of Los Angeles (1910-13) Occidental College 1913-14  
Graduated from San Francisco Theo. Sem. 1917

5 Have you taken any special course of training for Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?

As young man, & while in seminary.

6 Name institutions in which such courses were taken.

S. F. Theo. Sem.

7 Are you familiar with our Church's program of religious education?

Some what

8 What experience have you had in young people's work?

9 Have you ever conducted a Vacation Bible School?

No

10 In what other forms of Christian service have you engaged, and where?

Pastor in Los Angeles 2 years. Student pastor Union Church of Los Altos, Calif. 2 years.  
Evangelistic Work in Chosen 22 years, including pastoral responsibilities

11 What experience have you had in

- (a) evangelistic preaching? About 30 years (began immediately after High School)  
(b) personal evangelism? 32 years

12 Married or single? Married Number and ages of children, if any?

Mary Elizabeth, 23, in Business College.  
Robert, 18, Freshman in College

13 What part have you taken in Sunday school work?

- (a) In your own church.  
(b) In city, county or state organizations.

Have taught in S.S. since I was 18, & at times taught the Lesson to Teachers.

14 What credits have you received in the Standard Leadership Training Course? and been Superintendent.

None recently. Think I had one, years ago.

15 Can you provide yourself with a means of conveyance?

Have a car

16 Is it your earnest desire to engage in this work permanently or only for a temporary period?

See covering letter

17 What is the condition of your physical health?

The physician gives me a good "bill of health."  
(Please state time of last illness, the nature of the disease and the length of time you were incapacitated.)

None within past several years

18 When could you begin work if appointed?

January 1942, or perhaps February.

19 In what State or States would you prefer to labor?

Southern Alaska. See covering letter

20 Do you understand that the work of the Sunday School Missionary requires frequent and extended absences from the family circle, and are you willing to be absent from home for periods of one, two, or three weeks at a time, as may be necessary?

Yes. But Mrs. Hill would desire to accompany.

21 Give names and addresses of five persons who may be used as references. (At least three should be Presbyterian ministers.)

Rev. W.N. Blair D.D. 1435 1/2 Worthington St. Columbus, O. } Fellow-missionaries  
Rev. Stacy Roberts D.D. 5 S. Portland Ave. Ventnor, N.J. } in Chosen.  
Rev. Fred Thorne, D.D. Board of National Missions, OR Rev. A.A. Pratt, Westerville, Ohio.  
Rev. Earl Haney D.D. Pastor Eagle Rock Church, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Rev. E.A. Wicher, D.D. Prof. of S.F. Theo. Sem. San Anselmo, Calif.

NOTE 2.—Answers to questions 22 to 38 should be written by a person acquainted with the applicant's character and abilities.

22 How long have you been acquainted with the applicant?

23 From your knowledge of the requirements of modern Sunday school work, do you consider the applicant adapted by ability and temperament to this form of service as a field representative of our denomination?

24 Has he done any outstanding work in his church or presbytery

- (a) as a soul winner?  
(b) in Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?

25 In what ways has the applicant shown energy of character?

26 What are his abilities as a public speaker or leader of public meetings?

27 Does he seem to have an intelligent understanding of our Church's program of religious education?

28 What are his business habits as to system, promptness and devotion to details?

29 Is he strictly honest and accurate in financial matters? Is he accurate and reliable in his statements?

30 Is he tactful, pleasing in manner and of friendly disposition, especially toward strangers?

31 Does he attract children and young people?

32 Has he been successful as a pastor, in business, or other vocation?

33 Does he possess qualities of leadership such as would inspire others to adopt his suggestions?

34 Is there anything unfavorable in his past record?

Signed: Mary J. Hill



35 Is he of a practical, persistent and persevering temperament?

36 Is he careful and cleanly in his dress and habits?

37 In your observations of him and his work what characteristics or attainments of the applicant have impressed you most forcibly?

38 What are the brother's defects? That is, what habits or peculiarities have you observed which might weaken his influence and interfere with his success as a Sunday School Missionary? (Please answer this fully.)

**NOTE 3.**—The answers to all these questions should be frankly given and will be strictly regarded as confidential and for the use of this Board alone.

(Signed)

.....  
Name of person answering above questions

.....  
Member of Presbyterial or Synodical Committee  
on National Missions

*NOTE—Any credentials which the candidate may desire to submit should be enclosed with this application.*

170 S. Marengo Ave., Pasadena, Calif. Dec. 4, 1941.

Rev. Everett B. King, D.D.  
Secr. Board of National Missions  
156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. King,

*attached*  
Your kind letter of Nov 29 has just reached us at the above <sup>new</sup> address. As you have suggested, I have filled out the blank which you enclosed, although without further information as to the particular field and the opportunities of a Sunday School missionary, we are scarcely in a position to make definite application. Neither have we as yet conferred with the Board of Foreign Missions, though I am today writing Dr. Herrick Young in regard to the matter. Missionaries at heart, forced out of the field where our roots have gone deep, our thought has been directed to Alaska, understanding that the NEED is great and that much evangelistic work can be carried on through the medium of the English language.

In Chosen my work has been both in the city and in the villages, oversight and pastoral work among as many as 70 churches and groups, Bible Classes of a week's duration, personal evangelism, and especially in the winter teaching and having charge of the Pyengyang Men's Bible Institute. Mrs. Hill's work for some twenty years has been the teaching of Bible in the Women's Biblical Seminary, Girl's Academy, and Women's Bible Institute of Pyengyang, beside superintendence of a Women's Sunday School, calling in homes for personal evangelism, etc. She would like to be able to use her musical gift in evangelistic work.

Whereas we would delight to say "We are ready to go wherever there is the greatest need and where we can best fit into that need", since my wife is subject to heat-headaches we believe we ought to be in not too hot a climate. Of course S. Alaska would not be in that category. For six weeks of the summer in Korea she was able to go to the sea side, and do studying and other work preparatory for the heavy schedule of the following months.

It is not clear to us whether there is a possible opening for Sunday School or for pastoral work in Alaska, or just what it is that you have in mind. Evangelistic work, work for youth, and Bible teaching appeals to us.

It is ~~barely~~ possible that a pastorate in California may open for us, but we would prefer to be in a field not so crowded with Ministers of the Gospel. In the event of a possible opening we should appreciate word by air-mail.

Yours very sincerely,

*Harry J. Hill*  
Harry J. Hill

Enclosure.  
Copy to Dr. Herrick Young.



Buxton, Oregon  
Aug. 1, 1940

Post in hand

Rev. Everett B. King, D.D.,  
156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. King,

I am writing to see if it might be possible for me to take up the work at Ketchikan or elsewhere in Alaska.

At the last General Assembly the Rev. Alfred D. Swogger of Metlakatla introduced himself to me and we started to talk about Alaska. I told him that I should like to undertake work of that kind, but was afraid my age might prevent my appointment. (I celebrated my 61<sup>st</sup> birthday on July 7, 1940). But he said he felt sure that would not stand in the way, as I am in vigorous health. At this point our conversation was interrupted by the opening of the program, and we never had another opportunity to talk after that. So a short time ago I wrote him a letter to which he replied at once suggesting the work at Ketchikan and referring me to you. In response to his letter I told him that I would write to you. So I think you will hear from him.

I do not know what information you may wish, but I am volunteering a few facts which may be to the point:

Born - Sparta, Ill. July 7, 1879 - of American-born Scotch-Irish Presbyterian ancestors.

Educated - Macalester College, B.A. 1903 - San Francisco Theol. Seminary, graduated 1906, B.D. 1933



Ministry - All in the West. Am completing 16<sup>th</sup> year on present field.

Other Activities - Taught country school 1 year, H.S. 1 year. Was y. m. c. a. Religious director with U. S. Army in France.

Music - Am a fair leader of congregational singing.

Relations with Indians - Twice I have been pastor of White Churches on the Nez Perce reservation and have formed many lasting friendships with the Indians.

In giving references I will name the following:

1. Rev. A. D. Swogger, Metlakatla, Alaska - not because he has known me so long, but because he is an Alaska man and has taken an interest in the matter.
2. Rev. William Sattimore, 4913 Girard Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn. - because he and I were neighboring ministers for years and were also closely associated in the overseas y. m. c. a. work.
3. Rev. James G. Dickson, Kamiah, Idaho - because he is an Indian; and if he will express himself at all, he can tell how the Indians feel towards me.
4. Rev. Geo. H. Wilbur, 2735 N.E. 68<sup>th</sup> Ave Portland, Ore. } - because
5. Rev. R. D. Everett, R. 10, Box 95, Portland Ore.

They are the present and the ex-S. S. missionaries and are the only men who have visited this isolated field, and are the only ones who know first-hand about my work here.

Awaiting your reply,

yours cordially,

(Rev.) Robert M. Hood



August 9, 1940

Rev. Mr. Robert M. Hood  
Buxton, Oregon

Dear Mr. Hood:

Your letter of August 1 addressed to Dr. Everett King has been received during his absence from the office on a field trip. We shall bring it to his attention when he returns the last of this month.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. King

DE : JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Buxton, Oregon  
Aug. 19, 1940

Rev. Everett B. King, D.D.,  
156 Fifth Ave, New York, N.Y.,

Dear Dr. King,

On Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> I wrote to you regarding work at Ketchikan or elsewhere in Alaska. But your secretary replied that you are now on a field trip from which you will not return until the last of the month. So, in order to expedite matters somewhat, I am writing to those whom I named as references and am asking them to write you, giving their impressions as to my fitness for that kind of work. If they are prompt, their letters should be awaiting you when you return.

My interest in Alaskan work dates back to my early boyhood. At that time my father, who had always been in educational work, decided to enter some form of missionary activity. He then had considerable correspondence with the Board regarding work at the Sheldon Jackson School. Although he located elsewhere, my interest in Alaska remained. Then when I graduated from Seminary Sheldon Jackson, then Secretary of the Interior, offered me a government position in Alaska. But I could not accept it because



I had not had the medical training for which the position called. Still later my sister who was then Miss Esther Wood spent a year at the Sheldon Jackson school, going back a few years later as a teacher in the Sitka High School. Also my old college friends Eugene and Martha Bromley by their long and faithful service there have helped to keep alive my interest in the work. Others whom I have known more or less intimately have labored in Alaska at various times. Fred Thorne's illustrated lecture at the last General Assembly, together with Alfred Swogger's private conversation also had some part in bringing me to the point of offering myself for that work.

I am really hoping that you will give me a chance in Alaska. I believe, and a number of others ~~with~~ with whom I have talked believe that I am fitted for that kind of work; and I know I would be happy in it.

Yours very cordially,  
Robert M. Wood

August 27, 1940

Rev. Robert M. Hood  
Buxton, Oregon

Dear Mr. Hood:

I have your letters regarding the work in Alaska, and can assure you that I am giving your request due consideration. I am doubtful that the appointment can be made at this time. However, if the way opens, I will be glad to notify you.

Cordially yours,

EBK:E





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Rev. Everett B. King, D.D.,  
156 Fifth Ave.,  
New York,  
N. Y.

Buxton, Ore Sept 2, 1940

Rev. Everett B King, D.D.,  
56 Fifth Ave., New York, N Y

Dear Dr King,

Please keep whatever data you may have on me, so that you can refer to it when the way opens later on. I want to keep myself available for the work about which we have been in correspondence.

yours very cordially,  
Robert M. Hood



Washington, Kansas  
June 25, 1941

Rev. E. B. King, D. D.  
Sunday School Missions and Alaska  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. King:

I have been expecting some communication from you concerning the proposition about Alaska. From the information which I received, At General Assembly, I have become very interested in the possibility of my going into that section of the country for a period of time. Mrs. Howard and I have talked the prospect over several times and have become deeply impressed by your suggestion. From the booklet, by Rev. Bingle, I have discovered an interesting experiment which has become a fact. The development and growth of that enterprise, in Palmer, is to my mind of an outstanding nature.

I would like a little more information as to the arrangements that would have to be made should we go to that field. You spoke to me, briefly, about handling furniture. I would like to know more about that. I would like to know how the pension payments are handled and also about what arrangements would have to be made concerning transportation.

Any other information that you can give me will be greatly appreciated. I would like to go knowing that I have complete information concerning the relationship with the local Parish and also with the Board.

Thanks a lot for your consideration.

Sincerely

*Bob Howard*

Robert F. Howard

P. S. Give my regards to Mrs. King and also to Mrs. Allen

July 3, 1941

Rev. Mr. Robert F. Howard  
Washington, Kansas

Dear Bob:

I am not far enough along with the Alaska proposition to give you a definite statement. I am glad that you are interested.

The pension of course will be handled with you paying  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent and the local church and the Board of National Missions paying the  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

Your transportation from Seattle to Palmer would be paid by the Board, together with the cost of your moving expenses from Washington, Kansas to Seattle.

A little later I hope to be able to send you something very definite.

Cordially yours,

EBK:TTL



Washington, Kansas  
July 21, 1941

Rev. E. B. King, D.D.  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. King:

I suppose you understand by this time that we are ready to go to Alaska when the time arrives. Rev. Bingle and family were in Washington last Monday, July 14, and visited with Mrs Howard. Unfortunately I was attending a Pre re nata meeting of Presbytery and was unable to be here when they called. Mrs. Howard said that they had a very pleasant visit together and that she told them we would go to Palmer. I would like to have some idea as to when we would have to leave here. We are entertaining Presbytery the second Monday and Tuesday in September and if possible would like to make some kind of plans to dissolve the pastoral relationship at that time.

When you spoke to me at Assembly you talked of the possibility of the Board of National Missions buying our furniture and sending it to Alaska as permanent furnishings for the manse. We are willing to sell all but three pieces. I believe this plan would be beneficial to both the Board of Missions and to us. It would save the Board future expense to and from that field. It would give us a little finance with which to begin our work there. We have talked over the problem and are willing to sell at a reasonable price. The furniture has had the best of care and is in excellent condition. Please let me know soon if you approve.

What arrangements would we have to make concerning the shipping of furniture, etc.?

Please answer soon,

Sincerely

*Bob Howard*

Robert F. Howard

August 9, 1941

Rev. Mr. Robert P. Howard  
Washington, Kansas

Dear Bob:

I have not written you anything definite about the Palmer, Alaska, situation because my mind has not been clear that that is the place for you to go. It is a difficult situation and I personally feel that there are some problems calling for a man of a bit more maturity and experience than you possess. I am afraid that situation might crush you.

There is an opening in Skagway, Alaska, that I am quite sure you would fit into well and be able to do a splendid piece of work. I am leaving here this next Tuesday on my way to Alaska. If you are interested in Skagway, send an airmail letter to reach me next Saturday, August 16, care of the Hungerford Hotel, Seattle, Washington.

The Skagway church is made up of whites and ours is the only protestant church in the little town. It would make an ideal work for you.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DDH

ALASKA



Washington, Kansas  
August 12, 1941

The Rev. Mr. E. B. King D.D.  
Board of National Missions

Dear Mr. King:

We were very highly enthused over the prospect of going to Palmer with what we understood about the field. I have much faith in your judgment as to what is for my best interest and thank you again for considering my name.

I am interested in Skagway but would like to know more about the situation in that field. I would like to know about the medical possibilities and the home conveniences such as light, gas, etc., as well as the roads in that section of the country. I have had no time to learn what I should know concerning the Skagway field.

I noticed that the church of the Northern Light, in Juneau, has no pastor. Is that church under your jurisdiction? Would it be possibly for you to investigate that possibility for me while you are there.

I hope you have a pleasant trip and find everything in order.

Sincerely

*Bob Howard*

Robert F. Howard

ALASKA

Ans -  
8/16/41  
BKH

December 20, 1941

The Reverend Robert F. Howard  
Washington  
Kansas

Dear Bob:

Would you be willing to accept an appointment as a Sunday school missionary to work in the state of Washington for a time until we could locate you in Alaska?

If you are interested in such a proposition, let me know and I am quite sure that we can make arrangements for you within a short period of time.

Merry Christmas!

Cordially yours,

Everett B. King

EBK:MD



Washington, Kansas  
January 6, 1942

The Rev. E. B. King  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. King:

*Letter  
replied*

I was glad to hear from you again and to know that you returned safely from your trip to Alaska. I trust that you found everything going along very well in that section of the country.

I have thought very earnestly concerning the possibility of moving to Alaska but have reached the conclusion that I can do a much better work within the States also a much more acceptable work.

Give my best regards to Mrs. King and Mrs. Allan.

May you have a happy and wonderful year ahead.

Sincerely

*Robert F. Howard.*

Robert F. Howard

# INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

FROM Miss Scott

TO Dr. King

RE:

DATE September 18th, 1939.

Letter dated September 13th 1939 from Warren D. Ives,  
Pastor of the Glidden Presbyterian Church, Glidden, Iowa.

Since Mr. Warren D. Ives has inquired about a pastorate in  
Alaska, I am referring his letter to you.

If you wish me to answer Mr. Ives' letter and send him an  
application blank I shall be glad to do so. If there are no openings  
for Mr. Ives in Alaska, I will be glad to quote you in telling him  
there is nothing at present.

ams/m

Anna M. Scott





Glidden, Iowa,  
Sept. 13, 1939.

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Board of National Missions,  
Witherspoon Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa..

Gentlemen:

Not knowing to whom this communication should be addressed, I shall address it just to the Board, if you will forgive me for causing you the inconvenience of forwarding it to the proper person.

I am interested in the possibility of Mission work in Alaska.

It seems, probably, a rather far fetched statement to make, especially in my present state of comparative ignorance both of Alaska and the possibilities and nature of Mission work there. However, it seems that I must make this inquiry for information so that I can settle for myself the question of whether or not God is calling me to that type of work.

For many years, there seems to have been a definite urge to do this type work, and once, while in college, I made an inquiry of the Board as to the possibility of such service. I was informed then that under any circumstances, I would have to have further training than I then had.

I do not believe that I am unfitted for work as a Pastor here in the states, which position I not fill with what I believe is comparative success. Nor do I fail to enjoy my Gospel work here. The urge to consider this other phase of work in the Kingdom is entirely from within me, and due in no way, shape, or form to anything external. In fact, it would probably be to my external disadvantage to take up such labors.

I am married, no children, am twenty nine years of age, graduated from Buena Vista College, then from the Presbyterian Seminary at Omaha, and am now holding my second full time Pastorate at Glidden, Iowa, the first being at Linn Grove, Iowa. I do not believe that I am a scholastic genius, nor can I boast of too great a love of study, but I do love people, thoroughly enjoy them, and am keenly aware of the spiritual needs of the people with whom I work. I believe that I have some ability as a Preacher from the Pulpit. I can do many things with my hands that fall in the line of common labor. I know well Electricity, Farming Auto Mechanics, to some extent, can do some carpenter work, etc.

Please excuse me for burdening you with these details but they might assist you in telling me a little about the nature of the work demanded in Alaska, as well as the possibility of securing any such position.

Thank you very kindly for your consideration of me, I remain

Sincerely,

*Warren D. Ives*  
Warren D. Ives,  
Pastor of the Glidden  
Presbyterian Church.

September 20, 1939

Rev. Mr. Warren D. Ives  
Glidden Presbyterian Church  
Glidden, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ives:

I have your letter of September thirteenth,  
in which you make inquiry about the mission work in  
Alaska.

I would like to have some detailed reports  
on your work and I am enclosing an application blank.  
I want you to be careful in filling it out. Later  
on, it may be that I can use you in this field.

Cordially yours,

BEK:TTL

Everett B. King, Secretary  
UNIT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS  
AND ALASKAN WORK



August 29, 1940

AIRMAIL

Rev. Mr. Warren D. Ives  
Glidden Presbyterian Church  
Glidden, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ives:

In September of last year I received a communication from you relative to work in Alaska. At that time there was no opening.

I am reporting to you that there is now an opening in Ketchikan. If you would be interested in being considered for immediate appointment, please inform me by airmail.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

ALASKA

# First Presbyterian Church

WARREN D. IVES, Minister

Glidden, Iowa

August 30, 1940.

Board of Nat'l Missions,  
156 Fifth Ave.,  
New York, N. Y.

Mr Everett B. King,  
Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of August 29.

I am interested in an immediate appointment to Ketchikan, Alaska. However, I must confess a great deal of ignorance in the matter, and would appreciate a reasonable amount of information concerning the work before making a final decision.

I am married, have one baby, and complete furnishings for our home, together with an Automobile. This, plus a very heavy financial debt, constitute all of my earthly belongings.

I am, as you know, probably, in my fourth year of full time Ministry since Ordination and my seventh since I began preaching, while in training at Omaha, from which Seminary I graduated. I believe that my Pastoral work has been genuinely successful.

I have always felt an urge to go to Alaska. However, fear for the future of my family, and fear lest I should plunge myself into such a situation that I could not meet my honest indebtednesses are the only two hindering factors, as revealed to me yet, from my limited knowledge of such an undertaking.

I have implicit faith in God, however, that if it is His leading, that all shall work out perfectly well somehow.

Hoping that this gives you the necessary information for the present, I shall anxiously await your reply.

Sincerely,

Warren D. Ives

ALASKA



September 4, 1940

AIRMAIL

Rev. Dr. Wm. O. Harless  
1125 Lincoln Way  
Ames, Iowa

Dear Bill:

Please give me a confidential statement about  
Rev. Warren D. Ives of Glidden, Iowa. He has  
made application for work in Alaska.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

ALASKA

The Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

Synod of Iowa

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AMES, IOWA

September 6, 1940

Rev. Everett B. King, D.D.  
156 Fifth Avenue  
New York  
New York

Dear Everett:

I have your note of September 4th and I think a couple of others received a week or so ago which I didn't answer. *Did not require this.*

Warren Ives is a wonderful fellow and a fine Christian with a fine background in his home life. His wife is a splendid support for him. They haven't any children. Warren was born and reared at Rolfe, Iowa. His education is regular. I believe his college is Buena Vista and his Seminary is Dubuque. He was a very faithful and successful pastor at a small church, Linn Grove in Sioux City Presbytery. A year or two ago, against my advice, he sought a larger field and succeeded in getting a call to Glidden. Ives is very timid and yet it isn't just timidity. He shows enough presence to make a good presentation in speaking but he has trouble knowing where to put his hands. He isn't exactly nervous in speaking and yet he looks as if he is greatly embarrassed. He is gradually overcoming this. He is earnest, sincere, devoted, a hard worker and a fair preacher. He has a splendid record for honesty and loyalty and sincerity and hard work.

His wife is more vigorous physically than Warren. Warren is of the wiry type. Mrs. Ives is short and stocky, and both of them, as far as I know, in the best of health.

I hope this proves to be a satisfactory statement to you. If you have any personal questions in more detail, I shall be glad to answer them.

With most cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,



W. O. Harless  
Synod Executive

WOH:HH



September 10, 1940

AIRMAIL

Rev. Mr. Warren D. Ives  
First Presbyterian Church  
Glidden, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ives: |

I plan to be in Chicago Saturday, September 14. I will be there from noon until eight o'clock that night.

If the distance is not too great, I would appreciate it very much if you would meet me there. I should like to talk with you about the work in Alaska.

I would meet you at the Morrison Hotel. Please let me have your answer by airmail whether or not you can meet me.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

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September 10, 1940

Rev. Dr. W.O. Harless  
828 Brookridge Avenue  
Ames, Iowa

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your good letter of September 8  
giving me the statement about Mr. Ives.

I hope you and Dr. Black have a good time to-  
gether at the meeting of Presbytery.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

ALASKA



First Presbyterian Church

WARREN D. IVES, Minister

Glidden, Iowa

Sept 28, 1940

Mr Everett B. King,  
Board of Nat'l Missions,  
156, Witherspoon Bldg.,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. King:

*Previous correspondence  
attached*

This is to make a much over due reply to yours of Sept. 14, together with an explanation of this tardiness.

Due to the redecoration of our Church, we were out of town for some two weeks, arriving in Glidden just last evening. It was impossible to have my mail forwarded, as were on a short vacation trip, consequently when your letter arrived, there was no one here to receive it, for which I am indeed sorry.

This matter weighs heavily upon me, and a personal consultation with you would not only have been an honor, but probably would have done much to solve this, which to me is a problem.

However, since I am so dreadfully tardy in this matter, and since I know that placements such as these are urgent, I presume that at least the temporary solution of the matter has been accomplished by the omission, by now, of my name from consideration. I would not feel that such a procedure was in the least way unjust.

I must still confess a great deal of ignorance concerning the potential nature of such a work as I am considering, but there is deep within me, an urge to serve my Saviour in some such capacity.

I am elated at the recent progress of our Church work here, and am more than grateful to God for the richness of His blessings.

If there is anything further to communicate to me, or any way that I can make amends for this unavoidable discourtesy, please advise. Chicago would, incidentally, have been quite a heavy distance for me to travel, but I am still sincere in giving this matter a worthy consideration, if there is still any need for such by me.

Thanking you for your kind courtesy in considering me. Please receive my personal regards.

Sincerely,

*Warren D. Ives*  
Warren D. Ives.

October 2, 1940

Rev. Mr. Warren D. Ives  
First Presbyterian Church  
Glidden, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ives:

Your letter of September 28 has been received during Dr. King's absence on a Synod's visitation trip. When he returns the latter part of this month we shall bring it to his attention and you will then hear from him.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. King

HEW:DH



October 24, 1940

Rev. Mr. Warren D. Ives  
First Presbyterian Church  
Glidden, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ives:

I want to keep in touch with you for future reference.

In the meantime, if and when the opportunity presents itself, I should like very much to sit down and talk with you in person. I expect to be in Chicago Thursday afternoon, November 14. If it is possible for you to meet me there at that time, I shall be happy to see you.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

# First Presbyterian Church

WARREN D. IVES, Minister

Glidden, Iowa

October 26, 1940.

Rev. Mr Everett B. King,  
Board of National Missions,  
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr King:

Thank you for your letter of the 24.

I appreciate your interest in me, and assure you of a definite interest on my part. I too, want, very much, the privilege and opportunity of talking with you personally about this work. Perhaps I am following a false leading, but in any event, I know of no more certain way to settle the issue definitely than just to talk frankly with you.

As to Chicago, I shall be glad to meet you there on Thursday afternoon, ~~4~~ November 14, if you will name a place and hour. However, since the distance is a very heavy one, about 400 miles or more from here, the expense would be a burden, not one which I would be-grudge, but one of difficulty. If you knew of a time in the future when you might be in either Des Moines, Sioux City, (Iowa) or in Omaha, Nebr., I could with comparative ease meet you at any one of these three, the distance being for me only about 100 miles to any one. However, although I cannot give positive assurance, I can say that I will try to meet you in Chicago if that



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WARREN D. IVES, Minister

Glidden, Iowa

proves to be the nearest point of your presence to me in the reasonably near future.

I don't want you to think that I am attempting to avoid an interview, for an interview is exactly what I want, but you understand, I am sure, the reason for my mentioning these other cities.

I shall endeavor to let you know definitely, upon your reply to this, as to whether or not I can be in Chicago, if that should be the best place of our meeting.

I hope to bring Mrs Ives with me.

Sincerely,

*Warren D. Ives.*

October 29, 1940

Rev. Mr. Warren D. Ives  
First Presbyterian Church  
Glidden, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ives:

I do not know of any time soon that I will be  
in Iowa or Nebraska.

My suggestion is, therefore, that you meet me  
in Chicago, Thursday afternoon November 14th, in the  
Morrison Hotel lobby.

I shall look forward to hearing from you.

X Cordially yours,

BBK:TTL



First Presbyterian Church

WARREN D. IVES, Minister

Glidden, Iowa

November 4, 1940.

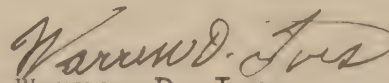
Mr. Everett B. King,  
Board of National Missions,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I deeply regret to inform you that present circumstances indicate that it will be impossible for me to meet you in Chicago, Thursday afternoon, November 14, as planned.

If something un-for-seen should develop to permit my coming, I shall notify you prior to that date. Otherwise I shall keep this matter well in mind, and trust that at some future date it will be possible for me to meet you and discuss this vital matter.

Sincerely,

  
Warren D. Ives.

1025 Colorado Blvd.  
Denver Colo.  
October 27, 1940.

Dr. Everett King;  
National Missions  
New York City.

Dear Dr. King:

On suggestion and advice from Dr. Martin Anderson I wish to offer myself and services to the Board of National Missions, and am asking you for instructions as to how I may be reinstated.

I have served under the Board from 1914 thru 1917 in Cordova and Anchorage, so my heart is naturally in Alaska. Having recently finished a course in child-guidance under Dr. Lillian J. Martin, I feel that my best work can be done with children.



Knowing of the field in  
child care at Silka and  
Haines I am especially  
interested in going to one  
of these places.

My present income takes  
care of my personal needs.  
I would require only trans-  
portation and maintenance  
from the Board.

I shall be prayerfully  
awaiting an early reply.

Yours in service

(Mrs. James L.) Ethel M. Bride

November 7, 1940

Mrs. Ethel McBride  
1025 Colorado Boulevard  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mrs. McBride:

I have your letter of October 27 in which you  
make inquiry about work in Alaska.

I am interested, of course, and I wish you would  
take the time to write me in more detail about  
the type of work you want and the particular field  
of service you would like to go to. I can not  
make any definite commitment, but I am sure there  
is some place you would love to serve.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

ALASKA



1025 Colorado Blvd.  
Denver Colo.

November 17 - 1940.

Dr. Everett B King  
156 Fifth Ave.  
New York City.

Dear Dr. King: <sup>attached</sup> Your letter of Nov. 7  
was most welcome and  
heartening. My unexpected  
absence from the city has  
delayed an answer.

You ask for "more detail  
about the type of work you  
want and the particular  
field of service you would  
like to go to."

My desire and purpose is  
to serve any place where  
the need is greatest, and  
this you must decide for me.

I mentioned Alaska because  
of my past service there, my  
love of the country and my

2. knowledge of the work at  
Haines and Sitka.

I feel I can do my best work  
with children for many reasons.  
my love for them, work with  
beginners and primary in  
Sunday School all my life,

Scouting, Social Service work  
with children, course in  
child psychology, a recent  
one in child guidance, the  
rearing of my own successful  
family and a deep conviction  
that the Kingdom and Democracy  
must be saved thru our children.

I realize there are many  
things you will need to know  
before you can make a  
definite commitment, so  
I am asking several persons  
to write to you.

"The Master's work requireth  
haste". May, I hope for an  
early reply.

Sincerely,

Esther M. Bide



SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

November 18, 1940

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

This is to certify that Mrs. Ethel McBride has been a student and worker in the field of Child Guidance under my supervision and has proved herself to be extremely efficient.

Mrs. McBride is a person of very high intelligence, of the finest moral qualities, painstaking and eminently successful in her work with children, family relations and individual rehabilitation.

Since I was quite satisfied to have her help me in case work I can only add that I hold her in highest esteem knowing that in any social welfare field she will exert a beneficent influence along mental, moral and social lines with those persons or groups with whom she works.

Any further information regarding the work she did here will be gladly given on request.

*Lillian J. Martin*  
(Dr.) Lillian J. Martin

LJM/f.

Mrs. John Imbach Jr.  
Rodeo, California

Dr. Everett B. King  
Board of National Missions  
156 Fifth Avenue  
New York City, New York

My dear Dr. King :

This letter is to recommend Mrs. Ethel McBride, whom I have known for a period of two years. I understand that ~~she~~ she is making application with the Board of National Missions for a position specializing in work with children and parent training.

Mrs. McBride, who is a mother of one of our women, gave a most inspirational talk to our Sunday School parents on the "Religious Development of the Child". It was one of the best that I have ever heard. Her sincerity and depth of Christian character were ever prevalent in this talk. Many of our women have spoken of the help which they have received. She also started a mother's group in Rodeo for the advancement and study of the mothers of Sunday school children.

Mrs. McBride has had a wide variety of experiences both as a Missionary and as a wife of an Army Chaplain. Her personality radiates a real Christian spirit. Her faith is still unshaken in spite of many hard trials. She perhaps is the most ambitious woman I have ever known. Her zeal for knowledge is unsurpassed.

I sincerely hope that there will be a real place for her in the work of National Missions, for I know that everyone who comes in contact with her work, will be greatly inspired-- just as I was.

Very Sincerely,

*Mrs. John Imbach*



FITZSIMONS GENERAL HOSPITAL, U. S. ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN  
DENVER COLORADO

November 19, 1940.

Rev. Everett B. King, D.D.,  
Board of National Missions,  
Presbyterian Church U.S.A.,  
156 Fifth Avenue,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

It has come to my knowledge that Mrs. Ethel McBride is applying for the opportunity to do some Children's Work under the auspices of your Committee.

Since I have known Mrs. McBride well for some years, it is a pleasure to commend her most heartily to your consideration for activity in line with her deepest desire for service. She is an unusually sprightly lady, buoyant, vivacious, friendly, and capable. She will achieve real success in her chosen field of activity; make friends with all with whom she comes into contact; and do a thoroly constructive work for the Kingdom.

Very truly yours,



Edward L. Trett,  
Lieut. Col. - Chaplain U.S. Army,  
Minister Pres. Ch. U.S.A.

November 20, 1940

Mrs. Ethel McBride  
1025 Colorado Boulevard  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mrs. McBride:

Your letter of November 17 has been received during Dr. King's absence from the office on a field trip. He will be returning the early part of next week and at that time you will hear from him.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. King

HEW:DH



Send application

1925 Colorado Blvd.  
Denver Colo.  
November 24-1940

Dear Miss Wolf - Thank you for your recent letter. The enclosed letter I had expected to be sent direct to Dr King - but it came in a letter to me so I am sending it on for his consideration.

Perhaps you are not as aware of Dr. Maitlin on the East Coast as we are on the Pacific coast. We think her very remarkable. "Who's Who in America" tells of her.

with a profound interest in all the work of the Kingdom.

Sincerely  
Edel McBride.

November 26, 1940

Rev. Mr. J. S. Dapp  
525 Temple Court Building  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mr. Dapp: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mrs. Ethel McBride, 1025 Colorado Boulevard, Denver, Colorado, has made application for work under our Department. I wish you would send me a confidential statement about her and any information which would be helpful to me. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

I thoroughly appreciate your position in regard to the picture. You do all that you can and even though you have not reached the 500-mark, it will help.

Cordially yours,

EBK:TTL



November 26, 1940

Mrs. Ethel McBride  
1025 Colorado Boulevard  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mrs. McBride:

Enclosed I am sending you an application blank. I shall appreciate it if you will fill it out in full and return it to me.

I have already received several letters about you.

Sincerely yours,

EBK:TTL

# CONFIDENTIAL

The Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.  
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Everett B. King

To ~~J. M. SOMERNDIKE~~ D.D., Secretary for Sunday School Missions

Questions concerning the Application of \_\_\_\_\_  
for appointment as Sunday School Missionary for the Presbytery  
of \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE 1.—Answers to questions 1 to 21 should be written by the applicant.

- 1 Your full name and P. O. address? *Mrs. Ethel E. Bride  
1025 Colorado Blvd.  
Denver Colo.*
- 2 Nationality *American* Age *54* Present employment *none*
- 3 How long have you been a professing Christian? Of what church are you a member? *Since 12 yrs  
of age - have been affiliated with army churches, [which  
have no church organizations] since 1914 when I was a member  
at Anchorage Alaska - where my husband was missionary. Later a member of Pres.  
church at Salt Lake Utah, when children were in college - also  
union*
- 4 What educational advantages have you had? Common School, Academic, College, Seminary? *Common School, Academic, College, Seminary*
- 5 Have you taken any special course of training for Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work? *Church  
missionary training and Bible School. Manila  
and recently a Child. Guidance and Parent Educators course*
- 6 Name institutions in which such courses were taken. *Presbyterian Training School of Chicago  
Winona Bible School. Course in Child Psychology  
at University of Utah.*
- 7 Are you familiar with our Church's program of religious education? *yes.*



8 What experience have you had in young people's work? *Organized C. 2. Society - attended C. 2. Conventions as delegate - Girl Scouts and Club work*  
9 Have you ever conducted a Vacation Bible School? *no, but have assisted*

10 In what other forms of Christian service have you engaged, and where? *all church work - (as Ladies Aid - Missionary Societies & Study groups) in connection with church nearest Army Post where we were stationed from coast to coast and in Hawaii and Philippines*  
11 What experience have you had in

(a) evangelistic preaching? *none*  
(b) personal evangelism? *as a minister's wife and professing Christian it has been one of the paramount interests of my life.*  
12 Married or single? *Married* Number and ages of children, if any? *- 3, ages 23 - 25 - 28*

13 What part have you taken in Sunday school work? *Always taught a S. S. class.*  
(a) In your own church. *Sup't of Beginners, Primary - Girls Club -*

(b) In city, county or state organizations. *none, altho I have been Pres. of W. C. T. U. and Scout Leader - also Pastors assistant to Dr. Hugh T. Kerr, Fullerton Ave. Pres. Church - Chicago - before marriage*  
14 What credits have you received in the Standard Leadership Training Course? *none, altho I did take the course some years ago.*

15 Can you provide yourself with a means of conveyance? *yes*

16 Is it your earnest desire to engage in this work permanently or only for a temporary period? *Permanently*

17 What is the condition of your physical health? *Excellent*  
(Please state time of last illness, the nature of the disease and the length of time you were incapacitated.)  
*Dysentery and dysentery on transport coming home from Philippines in 1936.*

18 When could you begin work if appointed? *at once*

19 In what State or States would you prefer to labor? *Alaska or California*

20 Do you understand that the work of the Sunday School Missionary requires frequent and extended absences from the family circle, and are you willing to be absent from home for periods of one, two, or three weeks at a time, as may be necessary? *yes*

21 Give names and addresses of five persons who may be used as references. (At least three should be Presbyterian ministers.)  
*Pres. J. D. Lucas, Cheswick, Pa.  
Rev. M. E. Anderson, D. D., 1660 Sherman, Denver, Colo.  
Rev. John Embach, Rodeo, Cal. - former  
Rev. Jesse Baird, San Anselmo, Calif.  
Chap. Edward Trett, Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Colorado  
Dr. William J. Martin, Shreve Bldg. San Francisco, Calif.  
Mr. E. C. Robely, 600 Twelfth Ave. San Francisco, California*

NOTE 2.—Answers to questions 22 to 38 should be written by a person acquainted with the applicant's character and abilities.

22 How long have you been acquainted with the applicant? *Since Oct. 1914*

23 From your knowledge of the requirements of modern Sunday school work, do you consider the applicant adapted by ability and temperament to this form of service as a field representative of our denomination?

*yes.*  
24 Has he done any outstanding work in his church or presbytery  
(a) as a soul winner? *as a Presbyterian Minister's wife would cooperate with her husband*  
(b) in Sunday school or other forms of religious/educational work?

25 In what ways has the applicant shown energy of character? *Withstanding the trials of an Army Chaplain's wife in all places where sent.*

26 What are his abilities as a public speaker or leader of public meetings?  
*Is a leader with children and an average woman public speaker*

27 Does he seem to have an intelligent understanding of our Church's program of religious education? *yes.*

28 What are his business habits as to system, promptness and devotion to details? *Good Very*

29 Is he strictly honest and accurate in financial matters? Is he accurate and reliable in his statements?  
*yes definitely.*

30 Is he tactful, pleasing in manner and of friendly disposition, especially toward strangers?  
*yes.*

31 Does he attract children and young people?  
*yes*

32 Has he been successful as a pastor, in business, or other vocation?  
*yes.*

33 Does he possess qualities of leadership such as would inspire others to adopt his suggestions?  
*yes*

34 Is there anything unfavorable in his past record?  
*yes*  
*See letter blame in her husband's*



35 Is he of a practical, persistent and persevering temperament?

*Yes.*

36 Is he careful and cleanly in his dress and habits?

*Yes.*

37 In your observations of him and his work what characteristics or attainments of the applicant have impressed you most forcibly?

*Sincerity —  
Earnest desire to be sincere.*

38 What are the brother's defects? That is, what habits or peculiarities have you observed which might weaken his influence and interfere with his success as a Sunday School Missionary? (Please answer this fully.)

*Cannot recall any now.*

**NOTE 3.**—The answers to all these questions should be frankly given and will be strictly regarded as confidential and for the use of this Board alone.

(Signed)

*Martin E. Anderson*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of person answering above questions

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member of Presbyterial or Synodical Committee  
on National Missions

**NOTE**—Any credentials which the candidate may desire to submit should be enclosed with this application.



December 4, 1940

Mrs. Ethel McBride  
1025 Colorado Boulevard  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mrs. McBride:

Thank you for sending in the application.

At present we have no opening in Alaska, but  
I can assure you that you will not be forgotten  
when some work presents itself.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH



*The Temple Beautiful*

# Central Presbyterian Church

Denver, Colorado

Rev. Martin C. Anderson, D. D., Pastor



Church Phone  
KEystone 7101



MABEL E. BRADFORD  
*Financial Secretary*

**THE STAFF**  
DOROTHY JESPERSEN  
*Sunday School Clerk*

MISS GEORGIA SCHWENKE  
*Flower Service*



## OUR MISSIONARIES

MRS. CHARLES E. SCOTT.....	Tsinan, Shantung, North China
DR. DOUGLAS COLLIER.....	Chiengmai, Siam
DR. MARY COLLIER.....	Chiengmai, Siam
REV. ALFONSO ESQUIBEL.....	Jerome Park Mission, Denver
MISS MARGARET RUPERS.....	Spanish American Social Worker, Denver
MR. ALCWYN L. ROBERTS.....	Asheville Farm School, Swannanoa, North Carolina
REV. GEORGE B. DUTTON.....	Santiago, Chile
HERBERT A. HOISINGTON.....	Olama, West Africa
REV. BOYD G. CUBBAGE.....	Anchorage, Alaska

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+ SUNDAY NOV. 24, 1940 +

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# This Church Is Loyally Evangelical = = = Aggressively Evangelistic

Our worship begins with the first note of the organ prelude, and we ask for  
your reverent and prayerful silence.

Enter to Worship = = Depart to Serve

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TO WORSHIPPERS

"May you who enter here,  
Draw near to God.  
Purge your own heart of sin  
Through Christ's shed blood.

Find worship sweet and blessings meet  
To aid you on your way,  
Till shadows flee and Christ you see  
In His eternal day!"

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11:00 o'Clock

## Morning Worship

Sunday, November 24, 1940

### ORGAN PRELUDE

Reverent silence requested  
during playing of prelude

### PROCESSIONAL

Hymn No. 73

Congregation stand as  
choir enters and unite in  
singing

## "PLAYING FOR THE LONG PULL"

Sermon by Dr. Anderson

"Friend, there is a welcome in this Church for thee,  
Come in and rest, and think and kneel and pray;  
What men have builded for God's glory see;  
Give thanks and so in peace go on thy way."

### THE APOSTLES' CREED AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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### RESPONSIVE READING

Scripture 10. Page 578 of  
the Bible

### GLORIA

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### ANTHEM

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### SCRIPTURE READING

### PRAYER

\* \* \*

Presentation of  
GIFTS

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

### DOXOLOGY

HYMN OF PRAISE  
No. 199

### SERMON

CLOSING HYMN  
No. 464

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

### THE ANTHEMS

"Unto Thee, O God, Do We Give Thanks".....Wolstenholme  
"Thanks Be to Thee, O Lord"—(Cantata con stromenti) Hand

### ORGAN NUMBERS

"Andantino-Serioso-Allegro Maestoso".....Cesar Franck  
"Un Larme".....Moussorgsky

### Ministry of Music

Choir Director—LeRoy R. Hinman  
Gospel Chorus Choir Director and Song Leader  
Frank W. Farmer

Organist—Viola Carol Roark  
Pianist—Mildred Stamm

Georgia B. Ellyson—Soprano Robert H. Edwards—Tenor  
Dorothy Dolezal—Contralto LeRoy R. Hinman—Bass

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CENTRAL CHORUS CHOIR

GOSPEL CHORUS CHOIR

Ushers will please seat late worshippers at intervals thus starred \*\*\*

"Oh give thanks unto the Lord for He is good; for His loving kindness  
endureth forever."—PSALM 136:1.

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THANKSGIVING ALWAYS AND CHRISTMAS JUST AHEAD! What welcome anticipa-  
tions these days bring of laughter and happiness and the story that never grows old.

Can you look back on the days that are past with a song on your lips, whether the days have  
been crowned with sunshine or hallowed by sorrow? Can you ignore the world's slights and  
buffets and rejoice in its blessings, which grow larger in prayer? Do you love little children and  
find delight in those who are approaching the sunset? Are you patient with ignorance and failure?  
Do you think of those who have been sick and weary with life and who need your prayers, a  
smile and a bit of your time? Do you believe the universe is friendly because there is a Heavenly  
Father who knows and cares for us, even as He noticed the sparrows, searched for the lost sheep  
and welcomed the prodigal home? In spite of those who fail you, do you still believe in justice  
and love and that many people are good and true? If so, you have the spirit of Christ, and these  
days will mean much to you.

Let us make the days ahead, HOLY DAYS, and live the Jesus way.

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## The Evening Worship—7:45 o'Clock—Sermon and Song

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

for GENERAL BALLINGTON BOOTH

Founder and Leader of the VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

Colonel George Duquette in charge of the Service

ORGAN PRELUDE—"Adagio Pathetique".....Godard

### HYMN

### INVOCATION

ANTHEM—"I Come, O Blessed Saviour".....Piusini

CENTRAL CHORUS CHOIR—DIRECTED BY MR. LEROY R. HINMAN

SONG SERVICE directed by Mr. Farmer

(The songs loved by the Volunteers of America will be used)

SOLO—"The Cross is Not Greater Than His Grace" (by request).....Composed by General Booth  
MR. FARMER

### PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

### HYMN

THE WORK OF THE VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA.....HON. FRANCIS KNAUSS

MEMORIAL SERMON—"Ballington Booth, the Christian Hero".....DR. ANDERSON

SOLO—"Over and Over".....Composed by General Booth

MR. FARMER

(The inspiration for this song came while crossing the ocean in a terrific storm  
with the waves sweeping over the deck of the vessel—God's love and care were  
made very real to General Booth.)

THE POSTLUDE—"My Grace is Sufficient".....Stultz

We are glad to welcome Colonel George Duquette, the President, Vice President, other  
Officers and all members and friends of the Volunteers of America to this, their service, in  
memory of their beloved founder and leader, General Ballington Booth. We are honored in having  
this organization in our Church and extend to them a hearty welcome.

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### — — — IMPORTANT — — —

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES appreciates the quick and generous response of a great number  
of people who have given gladly and willingly to the Rehabilitation Fund of our Church. How-  
ever, we are far short of the \$4,000 that we must have.

Did you ever stop to think—THE THING THAT WE BELIEVE IN AND LOVE DEVOTEDLY  
WE WILL WORK FOR AND GIVE TO SACRIFICIALLY? Why do some of us permit others to  
carry the expenses of this Church, YOUR CHURCH AND MINE, and we sit back and do nothing  
about it? If God has blessed you, why not honor Him? Everything we have and are, we owe  
to God.

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## Joining the Church

In joining the Church you let it be known that you are a follower of Jesus, and you associate  
yourself with a group of people who are trying to help one another in following Him.

Jesus brought into the world a new faith in God's love, a new appreciation of children, a  
higher regard for womanhood, and a new consciousness of the brotherhood of all mankind. He  
did not come to be served but to serve. He went about doing good. He was interested in the  
ignorant, the suffering and the poor. He found it more blessed to give than to receive, and He  
was generous even to the ungrateful. He forgave even the soldiers who nailed Him to the cross.

Jesus gave His life for you and me—have you accepted Him as your Saviour?

If you are interested in making Central Church YOUR CHURCH HOME, will you fill out  
the slip below and drop it in the plate or give it to Dr. Anderson at the close of the service. Our  
Christmas Class of New Members will be our gift to the Christ we love.

I AM READY TO CONSIDER UNITING WITH CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Name

Address..... Telephone.....

## An Appreciation

We are deeply grateful to MR. AND MRS. GEORGE W. OLINGER for their unexpected and unsolicited gift of the new doors in the foyer of our Church. This gift will add much to the comfort of those who worship in Central and we thank Mr. and Mrs. Olinger for their thoughtful generosity.

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## Announcements

YOUR THANKSGIVING GENEROSITY provided thanksgiving comfort for many needy families in our Church and community. We are grateful to the Board of Deacons and the individuals who helped in delivering baskets. Surely your day was a happy one because you had a part in blessing someone else.

*"The holy supper is kept indeed,  
With whatso we share with another's need.  
Not what we give but what we share  
For the gift without the giver is bare.  
Who gives himself with his gift feeds three;  
Himself, his hungering neighbor and me."*

THE FLOWERS ON OUR PULPIT TODAY are a loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Ellen L. Herrick.

THE BASKET OF FLOWERS has been placed on the altar table by the Volunteers of America in loving memory of their founder and leader, General Ballington Booth.

THE MID-WEEK SERVICE Wednesday at 7:45 o'clock will give all an opportunity to thank God for the blessings He has given each of us. Come to this service of praise. You will be glad for this hour in His presence.

DURING THE MORNING WORSHIP HOUR, the Primary Room will be open for the care of tiny children of worshippers.

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## The Woman's League

THE PRAYER CIRCLE will meet Monday afternoon from 2:00 to 3:00 o'clock in the East Room of the Church.

THE WEBSTER MISSIONARY SOCIETY will meet at the home of Mrs. I. C. Wood, 620 Forest Street, Monday, November 25, at 1:30 P. M. Dessert Luncheon will be served. Assistant hostesses, Mesdames L. B. Arnold and Karl S. Warner. Spiritual Life Group meets at 1:00 o'clock with Mrs. A. W. Patton in charge. Devotional in charge of Mrs. Waldo Miller. Guest Speaker, Mrs. Benjamin Eitelgeorge. Special Music by Webster Trio.

THE DIA KONIA CLASS will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Verna Shepler, 955 South Columbine Street, Tuesday evening, at 6:00 o'clock. Margaret Pullen will review the book, "Dangerous Opportunity."

THE SOUTH DENVER MISSIONARY SOCIETY will hold its regular monthly meeting Friday, November 29th, at 2:00 o'clock P. M., with Miss Bertha Feldwisch, 935 Lincoln Street. A Missionary Book Review will be given by Mrs. John T. Adams.

The EXECUTIVE BOARD of the Woman's League will meet Friday, November 29th, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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## GOSPEL TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

*In charge of the Session's Committee on Gospel Teams, R. M. Dobyms, Chairman.*

WASHINGTON PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH—Mrs. Franze's Class will give a visual lesson in Child Evangelism for the young people at 6:00 o'clock tonight. Mrs. John L. McCartney will serve as social chairman of this class.

DENVER ORPHAN'S HOME—Monday, November 25, at 7:00 o'clock P. M. Service for children by the Pi Phi Epsilon Class, Miss Alice Robertson, Chairman.

CHURCH HOME FOR CONVALESCENTS, 51 West 4th Ave., each fourth Wednesday evening at 7:30 P. M. Sponsored by Home Builders' Class, Mrs. Sidney B. White, Chairman.

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA (Home for Girls), 2804 Champa Street. Each first Friday at 7:30 P. M. Sponsored by Dia Konia Class, Miss Alberta Bennett, Chairman.

CITIZENS MISSION, 1617 Larimer Street, each third Tuesday at 7:30 P. M., beginning in December. Sponsored by Rev. G. R. Morley.

These Gospel Team Services have become a real part of Central's ministry to Denver under the able leadership of Mr. Dobyms.

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## The Sunday School At 9:30 o'Clock

OUR THANKS TO KLZ BROADCASTING STATION for the time given the last two Sunday mornings for a program given by members of the Sunday School. We feel sure the songs, inspirational messages and the invitation to enroll with us in the study of God's Word will reach many who are not now attending any Sabbath School.

There were 761 in Central's Sunday School last Sunday morning. Today was Visitor's Day and our goal was 1000 in attendance.

We have classes with consecrated leadership for all ages. Please consider this your invitation to enroll with us.

Thirty-two Thanksgiving Baskets were sent to needy families through the generous gifts of food and money throughout our Sunday School this week. Surely, the word "Inasmuch" has taken on new meaning as we make these less fortunate than we are, happy.

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## Christian Endeavor — 6:30 P. M.

### Devotional Meetings for Young People

Senior C. E.—Topic, "We Challenge You to Righteous Living." Leader, Rosetta Wilhelm. Consecration Meeting.

Y. P. S. C. E.—Topic, "A Thanksgiving Sunset, When Day is Done." Leader, George Godfrey.



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FINANCIAL SECRETARY

MISS DOROTHY JESPERSEN  
SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY

Dear Dr King,

You ask about Mrs James  
L. Mc Bride.

Her husband is Chaplain  
(Col) James L. Mc Bride, <sup>a Presbyterian Minister,</sup> now  
stationed in Anchorage, Alaska.  
Through no fault of hers they  
are not living together. She wants  
employment in Alaska so as to  
be near him. She would like to  
go to Haines or Sitka - She has  
had special training in Children's  
Work - Is a graduate of Presbyterian  
Training School. Was Dr Hugh Kerr's  
Secretary for 2 yrs in Fullerton  
Ave. Presby. Church, Chgo. before he  
went to Pittsburg.

She receives \$100.00 a month  
from her husband so can afford to  
take small salary. She looks much  
younger than she is. Is a good woman.  
Hoff you put her on. <sup>Hastings</sup> M. E. Anderson

December 4, 1940

Rev. Dr. Martin E. Anderson  
1660 Sherman Street  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Dr. Anderson:

Thank you for the word you have sent to me  
about Mrs. McBride.

At present I do not see any place we could  
use her in Alaska; however, an opportunity  
may present itself and you may be sure she  
will receive due consideration.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH



November 3, 1939

Dr. Everett B. King  
Bd. of National Missions  
S. S. Missions and Alaska  
156 5th Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Dr. King:

I was sorry to learn from Mr. Shell, of the Seminary, that I had missed you when you were in Chicago last week. I should have liked to discuss with you the work in Alaska. Since learning of the two openings that are now available, I have contacted Dr. R. W. Frank and President J. T. Stone, and have gained their approval to make application.

Frankly, work in Alaska has been my desire for many years, and although I am not familiar with the actual situation there; yet I feel that possibly my early preaching experience was under similar conditions. During the summers of my college years, I worked under the Board of National Missions, through Mr. J. S. Dapp, Church Extension Secretary of the Denver Presbytery. During the first summer I had a seven church circuit in the mining country of South Park, Colorado. The second summer I had three churches on the eastern plains of Colorado,-- Otis, Burdett, and Bethany. My third summer I served at Wray, Colorado, and since coming to the seminary, I served as assistant pastor at Marlboro Presbyterian Church in Chicago under Rev. Robert J. Netting, now of Independence, Iowa. Owing to illness in the family, I was out of school one year, and while at home, served for six months at the East Side Mission under Rev. Roy W. Peyton of Mason City, Iowa. Returning to the seminary I served one year as pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Greenup, Illinois.

I was graduated from Park College in 1936. It was at Park that I met Esther Knox, now my wife, who shares with me a keen enthusiasm for the opportunities offered in this field.

But enough of myself--I am wondering now if I might receive further information and application blanks from you, regarding work in Alaska.

Very sincerely yours,

*Wendell R. Newell*  
Wendell R. Newell

634 West Arlington Place  
Chicago, Illinois

Nov.  
8th  
1939

Mr. Wendell R. Newell,  
634 W. Arlington Place,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Newell:

I too was sorry that we missed seeing you when I was in Chicago. I expect to be back in the city some time during the first week of December. I shall notify John Shell a day or two in advance so that he can make appointments for me.

Enclosed you will find a leaflet that is self-explanatory concerning the work in Alaska. I do not know what questions you have in mind and am at a loss to give you any information. As you think it through in your own mind, jot down some questions that I shall be happy to answer if possible.

I am also enclosing an application blank for you to fill out.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BR



*Good*

**CONFIDENTIAL**

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The Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.  
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

*Ernest D. King*  
To ~~J. M. SOMERNDIKE~~, D.D., Secretary for Sunday School Missions

Questions concerning the Application of Wendell R. Newell  
for appointment as Sunday School Missionary for the Presbytery  
of Alaska

**NOTE 1.**—Answers to questions 1 to 21 should be written by the applicant.

1 Your full name and P. O. address?

Wendell R. Newell  
634 West Arlington Place, Chicago, Illinois

2 Nationality American Age 26 Present employment Going to school

3 How long have you been a professing Christian? Of what church are you a member?

16 years: Ist. Presbyterian Church, Mason City, Iowa

4 What educational advantages have you had? Common School, Academic, College, Seminary?

West Denver High School, '32; Park College '36 Presbyterian Seminary of Chicago, '40

5 Have you taken any special course of training for Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?

Courses in Education

6 Name institutions in which such courses were taken.

Presbyterian Seminary of Chicago

7 Are you familiar with our Church's program of religious education?

Yes



- South Park, Colo. '34*  
*Otis, Burdett, & Bethany, Colo. '35*  
*Wray, Colo. Summer '36*  
*Deermy 2nd. '38-39* East Side Mission Masonry Iowa  
*Assistant, Marlboro Presby. Chicago '38-39*  
*Scoutmaster Parkville, Burlington Heights, Ill.*
- 8 What experience have you had in young people's work?  
 During High School active in local and state C.E. work---  
 As student Pastor, sponsored young people's groups----
- 9 Have you ever conducted a Vacation Bible School?  
 Summer of '35: three schools one an all day school---- Otis, Burdett and Bethany  
 Summer of '36: one school at Wray, Colo.  
 Last summer had Union school at Greenup, Ill.
- 10 In what other forms of Christian service have you engaged, and where?  
 Have served as Student Pastor for four summers; assistant minister one year;  
 teacher in Denver Presbyterian Boys Camps two seasons; Scoutmaster  
 for five years----
- 11 What experience have you had in  
 (a) evangelistic preaching? Only what I have done in my student charges---  
 (b) personal evangelism? Little work with student charges---
- 12 Married or single? Number and ages of children, if any?  
 Married None
- 13 What part have you taken in Sunday school work?  
 (a) In your own church. Teacher, Assistant Supt. and Supt.  
 (b) In city, county or state organizations. Attended state and county  
 conventions---
- 14 What credits have you received in the Standard Leadership Training Course?
- 15 Can you provide yourself with a means of conveyance?  
 yes
- 16 Is it your earnest desire to engage in this work permanently or only for a temporary period?  
 Permanently.
- 17 What is the condition of your physical health?  
 good  
 (Please state time of last illness, the nature of the disease and the length of time you were incapacitated.)  
 '36 abscessed kidney----three weeks
- 18 When could you begin work if appointed?  
 June 1st.
- 19 In what State or States would you prefer to labor?  
 Alaska
- 20 Do you understand that the work of the Sunday School Missionary requires frequent and extended absences from the family circle, and are you willing to be absent from home for periods of one, two, or three weeks at a time, as may be necessary?  
 yes
- 21 Give names and addresses of five persons who may be used as references. (At least three should be Presbyterian ministers.)  
 Rev. Roy W. Peyton, 9th & Washington, Mason City, Iowa  
 Rev. R. Netting, Independence, Iowa  
 Rev. Carl E. Kearns, 2303 K St. Omaha, Nebraska  
 Rev. G. Henry Green, Casper, Wyoming  
 Mr. C. C. Boggs, 617 1st. National Bank Bldg. Denver, Colorado  
 Rev. Charles, Allen, Starke, Florida

NOTE 2.—Answers to questions 22 to 38 should be written by a person acquainted with the applicant's character and abilities.

- 22 How long have you been acquainted with the applicant? About 10 or 12 years.
- 23 From your knowledge of the requirements of modern Sunday school work, do you consider the applicant adapted by ability and temperament to this form of service as a field representative of our denomination? Yes, but I do not know why there should be any difference in the requirements of modern Sunday school work and the kind we had in years past. Anyway he will teach the historic Gospel of redeeming grace.
- 24 Has he done any outstanding work in his church or presbytery  
 (a) as a soul winner? He has served as student pastor and assistant minister and has done splendid work in vacation church schools and other Sunday school and young peoples' work  
 (b) in Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work? but I have no knowledge of what success he has had as a soul winner.
- 25 In what ways has the applicant shown energy of character? I believe his work as a leader of vacation church schools exhibited more than anything else the energy of his character. He is a hard worker even under unfavorable circumstances.
- 26 What are his abilities as a public speaker or leader of public meetings? I have heard him preach only once or twice and have made the statement that he surpasses all of the five or six candidates for the preaching ministry in our church.
- 27 Does he seem to have an intelligent understanding of our Church's program of religious education? Yes, but I should appreciate your changing the word "religious" to "Christian." The former means anything or nothing and has been brought into disrepute by the godless councils of "religious" education in most states.
- 28 What are his business habits as to system, promptness and devotion to details?  
 I consider them of a high order.
- 29 Is he strictly honest and accurate in financial matters? Is he accurate and reliable in his statements?  
 Absolutely.
- 30 Is he tactful, pleasing in manner and of friendly disposition, especially toward strangers? He is toward acquaintances but I have never observed his attitude toward strangers. I believe, however, that it is pleasing.
- 31 Does he attract children and young people? Yes.
- 32 Has he been successful as a pastor, in business, or other vocation? He has never been in business nor has he been a regular pastor as he has not yet been graduated but he has been a success as a student pastor and assistant minister.
- 33 Does he possess qualities of leadership such as would inspire others to adopt his suggestions?  
 I believe so, without any doubt.
- 34 Is there anything unfavorable in his past record? This is a matter of opinion but I do not know of anything unfavorable in his past record except that since he began to study for the ministry he has attended motion picture shows. This is not objectionable to most people but I do not do it myself and I am not a minister. It is quite possible that he has quit this practice since he got into the seminary. He is a fine young man.



35 Is he of a practical, persistent and persevering temperament? Yes, decidedly.

36 Is he careful and cleanly in his dress and habits? Yes.

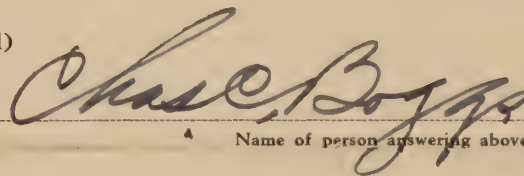
37 In your observations of him and his work what characteristics or attainments of the applicant have impressed you most forcibly? I believe my answer to question 25 will serve here. I believe his energy of character has impressed me more than anything else although it is hard to pick out one characteristic that transcends others.

38 What are the brother's defects? That is, what habits or peculiarities have you observed which might weaken his influence and interfere with his success as a Sunday School Missionary? (Please answer this fully.)

See my answer to question 34. He is one of a number of young folks in our church who were beneficiaries of a student fund of which I was the custodian. I made up a list of questions and submitted them to all of the candidates for the preaching and teaching ministry and they all, including Wendell Newell, signed them in the affirmative. It may interest you to read these questions and I am taking the liberty of enclosing them with this questionnaire. This is not a defect by any means, just the opposite but I did not know where else to put it.

**NOTE 3.**—The answers to all these questions should be frankly given and will be strictly regarded as confidential and for the use of this Board alone.

(Signed)



Name of person answering above questions

Member of Presbyterial or Synodical Committee  
on National Missions

**NOTE**—Any credentials which the candidate may desire to submit should be enclosed with this application.

1. Do you believe that the Bible is (not "contains" but IS) the infallible, uniquely inspired Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you believe that man was created by a separate act of creation and did not evolve from a lower form of life?
3. Do you believe that man was created perfect in innocence and that he had the power to remain so, but, being endowed with freedom of choice, he deliberately chose evil and fell from his original state, and brought upon the whole human race the consequences of his sin?
4. Do you believe that, since the fall, no man has been able to do anything to save himself from the guilt and penalty of sin and that he has ever since the fall needed a saviour outside of himself?
5. Do you believe that God, who is rich in mercy and does not desire the death of the wicked, has supplied a Redeemer who suffered the penalty for our sins so that God could be just and at the same time the justifier of the ungodly?
6. Do you believe that this Redeemer is Jesus Christ?
7. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, true God and true man in one person?
8. Do you believe that the deity of Jesus Christ is different, not only in extent or degree, but also in fact, from any "divinity" there may be in the holiest man who ever lived?
9. Do you believe that Jesus Christ was born of a virgin?
10. Do you believe that the one purpose that brought Jesus Christ to the earth was to die for man's sins?
11. Do you believe that Jesus Christ suffered as our substitute to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God?
12. Do you believe that the only way of salvation is by the free gift of God on the ground of the shed blood of Jesus Christ and on the one condition of faith in Jesus Christ and personal acceptance of his finished work on the cross?
13. Do you believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead with the same body with which he suffered?
14. Do you believe that he ascended into heaven where he sits to-day as our High Priest at the right hand of God making intercession for believers and that he is coming again in glory to receive his church to himself?
15. Will you preach or teach these doctrines to the exclusion of any that may be in conflict with them?
16. Do you believe that acceptance of these fundamental doctrines is necessary for fitness as a Presbyterian minister?
17. Do you agree that, if at any time you find it impossible to believe these doctrines, you will notify the administrator of the student fund and will accept no more advances from it?



Nov.  
21st  
1939

Rev. Doctor Carl E. Kearns,  
2305 K Street,  
Omaha, Nebraska

Dear Dr. Kearns:

I have the application of Mr. Wendell R. Jewell on file for work in Alaska. He has given your name as reference. I wish you would give me a confidential description of this young man and his ability to fit into the difficult field in Alaska.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BH

Klawock, Alaska.  
June 17th, 1940.

*File  
Alaska  
for a photo*

Averd B. King  
Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.,  
156 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. King,

It is reliably reported that the Board of National Missions is planning to replace the "Princeton" with another boat that is now being build at Tacoma, Wash.

In view of this report I would like to submit an application as Captain on the boat. The following are my qualifications:

1. Worked out the "Princeton" as Rev. Swanson's helper for three months.
2. I hold an operator's License.
3. Captain on the cannery tender "Ruth L" 1935 and took the boat to Seattle, Wash for the company.
4. Was captain on a fish buyer for two years.
5. Captain on the cannery tender Dubrovnik last fall. And I am to run the tender, as captain, again this coming summer.

In addition to the above, I am an Elder of the Presbyterian Church of Klawock, Alaska. I graduated from the High School at Ketchikan, Alaska, and attended the Bellingham Normal School.

Should you require reference letters I will have same forwarded to you whenever you request.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Very truly yours,

*Roy Peratrovich*  
Roy Peratrovich,  
Klawock, Alaska.



June 21, 1940

Mr. Roy Peratrovich  
Klawock  
Alaska

Dear Mr. Peratrovich:

Thank you for your application for the captaincy on the boat.

I do not know what the plans will be, but will welcome letters of reference that you have and can forward to my office.

Cordially yours,

EEK:2

Klawock, Alaska, Aug. 10, 1940

Mr. E.B.King, Secretary  
Board of National Missions, Presbyterian Church  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

*see your letter  
Roy Peratrovich  
attached*

In my opinion Roy Peratrovich of Klawock is well qualified for the position of captain of the Mission boat in S.E. Alaska.

In my capacity as principal teacher of the local Government school, I have known Roy for about six years. In the positions of Mayor of Klawock, Postmaster, President of the Native Brotherhood, and on various committee assignments he has demonstrated ability well above the average.

Rev. Swanson of Hydaburg has told me on a number of occasions that Roy was the most efficient help that he had among the different native boys who were with him on the Princeton.

Roy's experience on fishing boats, in charge of a cannery tender, and on the Princeton has given him valuable knowledge of S.E. Alaska conditions.

The positions he has held are evidence of a deserved recognition of a high type of citizenship.

Very truly yours,

*L. E. Robinson*

L.E. Robinson



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WRANGELL, ALASKA

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HYDABURG, ALASKA

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SKAGWAY, ALASKA

PENSIONS  
REV. ALFRED D. SWIGGER  
METLAKATLA, ALASKA

STATED CLERK  
REV. ALFRED D. SWIGGER  
METLAKATLA, ALASKA

Hydaburg Aug 31, 1940

Dear Mr. Yaw,

As I presume you will send this letter on to the Board I would like to give a recommendation for Roy Peratrovitch as Princeton operator in case a native is to be considered for that position. Roy P. was helper on the Princeton for a short time some years ago. He has captained other boats since that time & I believe him to be a dependable navigator.

We were able to carry on morning services even during the month of August for which we requested leave of absence without pay.

The activity of our people in the preparation of food for winter such as putting up berries & the drying & smoking of salmon has caused a decided slump in church attendance. Most of the women earned less than 100<sup>00</sup> in our local cannery. Many of the fishermen did not do much better as the inside run of salmon was very poor this season.

Sincerely  
Verne J. Swanson

The First Presbyterian Church  
Sharpsburg, Iowa

Paul B. Mc Cleave, Minister

Student, Omaha Seminary

October 19, 1939

Rev. E. Graham Wilson, D.D.  
General Secretary,  
Board of National Missions,  
156 Fifth Ave.,  
New York, New York.

Dear Rev. Wilson:

I am writing in regard to the work in the Matanuska Valley region in Alaska. I notice from the report of the Board that we have one minister and his wife at Palmer, a Rev. Bingle. He has a church in Palmer a four out field stations. I am wondering if the Board intends to enlarge the work there among those people in the future.

I am a senior this year at the Presbyterian Seminary, Omaha, Nebraska, planning to be ordained this spring at the Spring Meeting of Highland Presbytery, Synod of Kansas. Naturally now I am thinking of the future work which I want to do for the church and for my Christ. I have been greatly interested in the government project to Matanuska Valley and have followed its growth as much as possible with what little news we get of it. And seeing the great challenge that it offers to work with those people who are starting life over again I would like to hear from you as to the possibility of the Board sending more men to that region.

If there is a possibility I will contact Rev W.O. Harless the Synod Executive here in Iowa, who I note is a member of the National Missions Board. But I would like to hear from you soon as to the scope with which the Board intends to care out its work in Matanuska Valley.

Thanking you for your considerations and time, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Paul McCleave



Oct.  
25th  
1959

Rev. Mr. Paul B. McCleave,  
First Presbyterian Church,  
Sharpsburg, Iowa

Dear Mr. McCleave:

Your letter of October 19th, addressed to Dr. E. Graham Wilson, has been referred to the Unit of Alaska Work. Dr. Everett B. King, who is in charge of this Unit, is at present out of town filling some field engagements. Upon his return, however, the latter part of this month, I shall bring your letter to his attention and he will undoubtedly write you.

Very sincerely yours,

BH UNIT OF ALASKA WORK.

Nov.  
6th  
1939

Rev. Mr. Paul B. McCleave,  
First Presbyterian Church,  
Sharpsburg, Iowa

Dear Mr. McCleave:

I am enclosing an application blank which I wish you would fill out very carefully. You might also have Rev. Dr. Harless to write me setting forth your qualifications.

At present the Matanuska Valley work has no opening. We do have openings in other fields. I shall be glad to tell you more about these fields after receiving your application.

Cordially yours,

EBK:BN



Box 366

Sitka, Alaska

May 19, 1941

Dear Dr. King:

I know very little of your plans for the operation and maintenance of the "Princeton Hall" but am taking this opportunity after considerable thought of offering my services. Rather I should say our services since my wife goes wherever I go.

I'm thinking about the years ahead for the boat now it really is none of my business and I may be taking out of town but I am interested in it. Also I know

As soon as I can I want to leave  
the job now I'm running a  
boat for a fishery with  
a salary of \$150 a month and  
at 70 food allowance for the  
two of us. On the job I have one  
less share all the time with the  
privilege of hiring another if  
work gets too much for the two  
of us.

The man I see of the boat  
taking chase the more I want  
to see her done right by no  
matter who is on her. I don't  
suppose you would understand  
how a man gets to feel about  
boats but when you've lived  
on 'em for years and seen  
these tough spots where the

more about boats than the reg-  
ular missionaries up here. So  
I see it Mr. Bently can not  
possibly run the boat alone.  
It could be done but he could  
not do justice either to the  
boat or his other work.

Therefore it appears to me there  
will have to be either a skipper  
or deck hand employed and that's  
not I come in. I will do either  
the work of a skipper or a deck hand  
for a hundred dollars a month  
in board for my wife and I.

Naturally I have no way of  
knowing whether or not you feel  
I am sincere of doing what I say  
I can, but I am confident that  
investigation will convince you  
I can. Rev. B. Conway from



boat is ones only means of being kept alive they come to be more than just lumber and machinery on the matter of maintenance as I see it either there is crew enough on the boat to keep her in shape or she has to be dry-docked every year for overhaul. The cannery boats all have at least four men and are dry docked anyway but their crews are all union and not overly ambitious.

The new boat is looking fine and regardless of who is on her I sure hope she gets good treatment. It just seems to me God has a right to expect the best for and from her.

These random thoughts are written during one of our long Alaskan evenings. We are in

Sitka, Alaska

a harbor in Chatham Straits  
picking up fish but it has been  
blowing for two days so the  
fishermen are all laying in.

In case you don't remember  
me I ran the S. J. S. for you  
when you had it chartered  
a year ago.

I have felt guided to write  
this to you and you can take  
it for what it's worth. I have  
sent Miss Scott an application  
for the position of General Worker  
at Sheldon Jackson but we  
would rather be on the boat  
should it work out so. Mr. Yant  
has recommended me for Mr.  
Towne's job but a General



workers shouldn't be hard to find.  
However this all strikes you  
I shall anticipate hearing  
from you.

Sincerely  
R. V. Nelson



June 2, 1941

Mr. R. V. Nelson  
Box 366  
Sitka, Alaska

Dear Skipper Nelson:

I am definitely interested in your letter and in your offer to give your services on the Princeton-Hall boat. I cannot now make any proposition to you. I expect to be in Sitka during the month of September and will talk to you at that time and give you some definite information.

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

ALASKA